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OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

Ms. Larissa Walker Center for Food Safety 660 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE., #302 Washington, DC 20003

RE: Request Number EPA-HQ-2016-007648

Dear Ms. Walker:

This is in response to your request for a waiver of fees and expedited processing in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for data evaluation records for submitted honey bee studies – Clothianidin and Thiamethoxam.

We have reviewed your submission and based on the information provided, we are granting your request for a fee waiver. However, this fee waiver does not include a waiver of fees for otherwise publically available records. The EPA's Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP) will be responding to your information request.

We have also reviewed your request for expedited processing and are denying that request, as you have failed to establish that the failure to obtain the records in an expedited manner will pose an imminent threat to the life or physical safety of an individual. OCSPP will respond to your request as quickly as possible.

Under the FOIA, you have the right to appeal this fee category determination to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, FOIA and Privacy Branch, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only), E-mail: foia_hq@epa.gov. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier

service or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20004. Your appeal must be made in writing, and it must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 30 calendar day limit. The appeal letter should include the FOI number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the appeal letter and its envelope should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely

Larry F. Gottesman

Chief, FOIA and Privacy Branch